

GAMBLING AT CAMP WAS NOT CONFINED TO THE FILIPINOS

Big Game, With Liquid Accompaniments, Run By Officers At Kaula. Is Report

BLAME FOR TROUBLE IN GUARD TO BE FIXED

Whole Matter of Lack of Discipline and Failing Down of Commissary Will Be Investigated

Not all the gambling carried on at Camp Liliuokalani was done by the Filipinos, nor was it confined to the enlisted men, according to the tales now being told of school. The big game, which is said to have run into the night most every night, with liquid accompaniments, was on what was nicknamed at the camp "Wal Street." This game is said to have been a fast and heavy one, in which three of a kind had the edge over any two pairs.

The whole matter of camp discipline and the falling down of the commissary department of the Second Regiment is in for a rigorous investigation, according to reports in guard circles yesterday. It is understood that General Johnson has called an officers' meeting at which there will be some very plain speaking, with an effort to place the blame for moving picture show riot and food pilkings.

The feeding of the Kana'i battalion or the lack of such feeding, which resulted in the Filipinos of the Guard Island flouting all attempts at discipline on Tuesday, came close to duplicating yesterday when the men from Kahala boarded their boat for home. Fifteen minutes before the boat sailed Captain Freeman of the Mauna Kea was attempting to find out from some militia officer in authority whether it had been arranged for the steamship company to feed the men on whether the company commander had made other arrangements. None appeared to know, the militia officer appealed to stating that he did not know what the arrangements were.

There was a great deal of street talk yesterday concerning the guard and the failure it appears to be with its preponderance of Filipino enlistments. It was stated by one federal official that an investigation was being made into allegations that the Filipinos were ordered to join the guard by the planations for the express purpose of making regiments that would not be called out but which would supply the show, that would obviate the application of the draft in Hawaii.

Pinckham Is Blamed
Governor Pinckham has always insisted on the undivided credit for the guard, said a prominent business man yesterday. "He cannot now, in view of all that he has said himself about what he has done for the raising of the regiment and in view of what he has allowed others to say for him and to him in the matter, escape the blame for the Filipino fiasco. It is his guard, pin and simple, and he should shoulder the responsibility for it."

Pedro M. Esquivas, editor of the Filipino newspaper Ang Abayan, came forward in defense of the Filipino guardsmen yesterday, stating that it was a shame to brand all the Filipinos as riotous and insubordinate and justifying, in part, the rioting and mutiny which did take place.

"The men were not altogether to blame, he says. Blame must be placed upon those supposed to be charged with providing subsistence to the Kana'i guardsmen. From early morning when they had breakfast, until the time they broke from the ship, they claim they had not been fed, nor did there appear to be any provision made for feeding them at all. Hunger and the prospect of further hunger, according to the Filipino editor, compelled them to be insubordinate."

The blame for the failure to provide the commissariat is to be probed and the responsibility placed. Had the Filipinos at Kaula previously displayed a spirit to recognize military law and regulations instead of utilizing brute force to meet their demands, such as the riot a week ago tonight, when they tore down a motion picture tent and refused to be cowed for a period by the guard, the "hunger riot" of Tuesday would probably have brought the Filipinos sympathy. And in all, it has been taken as an indication of the refusal of the Filipinos to take orders when they don't want to, or to curb their passions."

The Filipino editor said that the length of time they were kept aboard the vessel and the sight of eatables near by, and the continued absence of any government rations, caused them to make the break for the shore.

Filipinos Not Only Disorderly
He further says that the Filipinos were not responsible for becoming members of the guard. They were appealed to, he said, to enter the guard service and they responded readily. He also charges that all the lack of discipline at Kaula was not among the Filipinos.

General Johnson, adjutant general of the national guard, will call for special reports from officers to determine the responsibility for the lack of food among the Kana'i Filipino guardsmen. He will await this report before commencing upon the case. The general at this time, will not discuss the rumors of dissatisfaction among officers of the guard, or the rumors of proposed resignations. It is likely he will await the result of the report of the United States Army officers attached to the guard before making a statement.

RELEASED CHILDREN ARE NOW IN FRANCE

Young Belgians Sent Back By German Captors Are Under Care of American Red Cross

Belgian orphans who were carried by their captors into Germany and who are beginning to be released are being cared for by the American Red Cross in France. The first groups, consisting of 500 children each, have been received back into the Allies' territory.

The return of the first liberated orphan prisoners in Belgium is reported in a cablegram from the American Red Cross Commission to France. These homeless children, sick and undernourished, all between four and thirteen years of age, will receive the best possible care from the American Red Cross, which recognizes in them Belgium's hope for its coming generation. The cable says:

"The Red Cross is aiding the work of the Queen of the Belgians for the children of her country. Thousands of undernourished, sick and orphaned children are in Belgium today, and a home and care must be provided for them. The Germans are willing to allow some of these children to be sent out of the country."

"Twenty miles from Limoges in the southern center of France, on a hill outside of a little town called Troche, stands the famous monastery of La Grande Chartreuse, unoccupied at present. The climate there is wonderful. Roses bloom all the year round. There is plenty of fresh running water. The buildings are superbly placed and strongly built, including all kinds of constructions adapted to housing, feeding and providing for more than a thousand people. Permission was given to use this place for the Belgian children, and it was rented from the government by the Red Cross, which supplies the funds for the work, while the personnel and management are provided by the Belgian Committee."

"On October 15, the first 500 little Belgian boys and girls between four and thirteen years old arrived after their long trip through Germany, and a week later 500 more, all collected by the Committee de Secours National de Belgique. In this wonderful old monastery the Red Cross hopes to bring back to life and vigor these children, in whom lies the hope of Belgium."

NOVEMBER IS SMALL MONTH IN BUILDING

Cost of Construction Permitted Is Less Than a Third of Same Month Last Year

November will be the smallest month for the starting of new building construction work, outside of army work, that Honolulu has known in many months. While generally the building trade has held up splendidly and for the two preceding years, new contracts had been larger than was expected there was a sudden and great falling off this month. With only one new business day for the issuance of permits, this is a certainty unless some exceptionally large permit shall be issued on Friday.

Up to last evening there had been issued this month sixty-eight building permits and none of these provided for any large or important business buildings which tended to keep the totals down low. The aggregate cost of the work authorized came to only \$74,931, the largest being a \$12,750 residence for Mrs. K. H. Livingston, of which mention has already been made in these columns.

In contrast to this small month are the figures of a year ago when the cost of the construction work provided for in the permits was \$231,235. But the indications are that this "slump" is but temporary in cause and in character and that a resumption of activity will be speedily seen, probably in the month of December.

IMPROVEMENTS ARE NOW SHOWING PROFIT

Buildings Worth More Than When Constructed

There is becoming apparent a point of divergence between improved and unimproved properties in the real estate market upon which Irwin H. Beadle of the Trust Trust Company real estate department commented yesterday.

"The point of divergence in prices and in increasing values, is becoming more apparent recently," said Mr. Beadle. "The reason for this is evident enough." "All building materials have advanced in cost. If one builds he must pay those increased costs. It is now becoming recognized that the building already erected is a good and substantial one and still fit for a long period of use, has increased in value. A few months ago this was not noticed as it now is, but owners and buyers are alike awakening to it. This occasions an apparent greater and more rapid advance in values of improved property."

If the shortage of building material becomes more acute or if prices of new materials meet higher, this divergence in prices will be all the more noticeable. It is not that unimproved property is not more than holding its own and gaining, but that investments made in building materials in the past will be found to have been highly profitable. What it would cost to replace is considered.

GETS COMMISSION AND TAKES BRIDE

Cupid As Well As Mars Is Generous In Dealings With Lieutenant Bettin

It took but two days after the first Hawaii Officers' Reserve Training Camp came to a close for romance to succeed it, for yesterday one of the new officers took unto himself a wife. Some of the other officers cannot qualify now, for they had attended to this important problem before going into camp. There are a number of eligibles, however, available and additional weddings are looked for.

Lieut. George T. Bettin, former teacher at Mills School, Manoa, and Miss Helen Kennard, a California girl who has also taught in Manoa at the Kawaihahoe Seminary, were married last night by Rev. J. H. Williams, acting minister of Central Union Church, the witnesses being Robert Stone and Mrs. William D. Williams.

The wedding ceremony was performed outdoors on the grounds of the residence of Dr. R. D. Williams, principal of the Mid-Pacific Institute, which embraces Mills School and the Kawaihahoe Seminary, Manoa. Following the wedding a reception was held in honor of the newly married couple, music being furnished by the Kawaihahoe Club. The pupils of the two schools, headed by the members of both faculties, paid their respects to Lieut. and Mrs. Bettin.

Mrs. Bettin was a teacher at Kawaihahoe last year, following which she went to her main home on a visit, returning to Honolulu in the last Maui Real School Roman.

The young couple had not met until they found themselves teaching in the big Manoa schools. School activities and social brought them together and a mere passing acquaintanceship brought eventually the union which was consummated last night.

The bridegroom was one of the one hundred and one students at the Reserve Officers' Training Camp at Schofield Barracks on Monday, after the three months' military schooling came to a close, he was commissioned a first lieutenant and attached to the First Infantry, the American Army's oldest unit, now stationed at Schofield Barracks, this island.

CORNER ON QUEEN STREET IS SOLD

Real Estate Demand Reported As Improving and Market Not Far From Normal

Easily the most important transaction in real estate that has occurred within the past week was the sale through F. E. Steere of the Waterhouse Trust Company of premises at the corner of Queen and Richards Streets. The deed from Patrick F. Ryan to Robert Horner was recorded yesterday and the consideration of the sale was \$21,000. The premises contain 6070 square feet and the improvements are old. It is understood that it is the intention of Mr. Horner to improve the property in the early future.

As shown by the instruments left for record in the office of the bureau of conveyance interest in real estate is increasing throughout the Islands. Deeds for the week, exclusive of land court and trust deeds, were sixty-one with expressed considerations of \$76,670 and a large number of the expressed considerations being manifestly nominal. Mortgages showed a decrease, there being only sixteen and the amounts secured amounting to \$33,870. There were nineteen releases.

Trust companies and other realty agents report the market not far from the normal although a little under and the great bulk of transactions being for moderate to low priced homes. The sale of Pauoa Valley lots last Saturday went excellently and six or eight lots were disposed of at prices that were perfectly satisfactory.

Trust Company reports devalued almost up to normal. This company in the past week has made five sales the largest \$7500 and the total coming to between \$14,000 and \$15,000. Some of these have the papers been signed but in practically all substantial payments have passed to bind the bargain.

Other agencies report business as about normal.

AUTO DRIVERS MUST MIND THE COPS

Drivers of automobiles or other licensed vehicles must, in future, bow to the dictates of the sheriff, deputy sheriff or even the ordinary police officer as to the place where they may park their automobiles, steamers, docks or any other place. The board of supervisors decreed last night that to disobey the order of any member of the police force in this connection will constitute a misdemeanor and the guilty party or parties will be subject to prosecution.

The motion on this question was inroduced by Supervisor W. H. Belline with the subject as explained by him of regulating traffic to a greater degree, officers than at present. The unanimous approval of the board was given to the regulation.

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MRS. DAMON LEAVES FOR EASTERN VISIT

Acting Head of Auxiliary Will Visit Red Cross Depots and Headquarters

Mrs. Henry M. Damon, who has been acting executive head of the Red Cross auxiliary, left yesterday for the East, where she will remain until after the Christmas holidays. She will be near her children, who are in school outside of New York, and will also familiarize herself with the Red Cross activities in the East.

Miss Beatrice Castle, the executive head of the auxiliary, will return to Honolulu next week and take up her work for the Red Cross here. She has been in the East for a number of months, and has visited the Red Cross headquarters in Washington and other Eastern cities, besides keeping in touch with Honolulu by mail. She has sent some very helpful suggestions from time to time which have been embodied in the work of the local auxiliary.

During her stay in the East Mrs. Damon will visit the supply depot in New York through which all the cases from Hawaii are forwarded. Many of the cases are repacked at this distributing center, and Mrs. Damon hopes to see the contents of boxes from many parts of the country and compare them with the hospital supplies and surgical dressings sent by Hawaii both in the quality of work and methods of packing.

The cases from Hawaii have been highly praised in letters received here, and it is thought that they will compare favorably with those sent from any part of the country, but if there is any room for improvement, Mrs. Damon wants Hawaii to know where it lies so that the workers want to be made. Hawaii's work here could not be better in any respect.

Mrs. Damon also hopes to find time for a trip to the National Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D. C. During her period of patriotic service as the local auxiliary she has grown to feel a great interest in the national organization and a wish to understand it more thoroughly.

The Red Cross work among women in Honolulu has grown enormously since it came under Mrs. Damon's direction a number of months ago. Up to the time that Miss Castle left there was very little call for the dressings and supplies compared to the need, to say.

Soon after Mrs. Damon took charge the necessity for a much greater output of work became apparent. The work before that had been spare-time work taken up in leisure moments, but it became necessary to make it real work done at stated hours and stated times if the volume of output was to be increased and kept up.

New Units Formed
Mrs. Damon by her own enthusiasm and unremitting efforts aroused the interest of others anew, with the result that the work commenced to grow by leaps and bounds. Old units gained new members and adopted more regular hours of work, and new units were formed in many neighborhoods and localities, notably on Kaimuki, Hahaione, and at Ewa on Oahu.

The army officers' wives who had been doing work for the American army were persuaded by Mrs. Damon to join with the local auxiliary in sending their work through Red Cross channels, and the unit at Fort Shafter and three units at Schofield Barracks added their efforts to those of the organized women of Honolulu for the relief of the wounded.

With all this growth the rooms at Seretania and Miller Streets, which had been used for workrooms, supply depot, and shipping rooms, became too small for comfort or efficiency. Mrs. Damon knew that government buildings elsewhere were being used for Red Cross work, and decided that the time had come for the local auxiliary to be recognized and given in official home, and it seemed that the throne room of the Capitol was the proper place.

Throne Room Given Workers
With this request she went to the Governor, and after some consideration the privilege of using the throne room was granted to the Red Cross workers. For the last three months this has been their home. The supply rooms are still maintained at the Miller Street building, but the making of surgical dressings, their packing and shipping is all attended to in the Capitol.

Mrs. Damon has been a ceaseless worker for the interests of the auxiliary, and she has imbued all her helpers and lieutenants with the same enthusiasm and energy which she has shown daily. Much praise is due her for her spirit and for the excellent results of her efforts in increasing the quantity and scope of the work, and in keeping up the income once gained. She will have the welfare of the local workers in her thoughts while away and will send back hints that will be useful to them in their work whenever she learns of any such in her Eastern visits.

FUJIWARA MUST GET BOND OR GO TO JAIL

If K. Fujiwara, local Japanese plumber, who, on November 5, last, was sentenced by Judge J. B. Poindexter in the federal court to imprisonment for twelve months and ordered to pay a fine of \$2000 in addition to court costs amounting to \$61.30, on a charge of trading in opium, is unable to secure bondmen by Monday or Tuesday of next week for an appeal which he desires to make to the ninth circuit court of San Francisco, he will be denied further privileges and compelled to suffer his punishment, according to federal officials.

CONGRESSMEN SAIL FOR THE MAINLAND

Covered With leis, They Bid Farewell To Many Friends Made During Their Visit

Laden with leis and surrounded by many friends the members of the Congressional Party said their farewells on the dock yesterday morning just before leaving for San Francisco, and were given a genuine Hawaiian send-off with plenty of Aloha shouted to them. The dock was crowded with people who went there not only to see personal friends off on their journey, but to be certain that the congressmen had a real "steamer day" demonstration. By nine o'clock the wharf was filled. In the crowd which was on hand particularly to bid adieu to the members of Congress were members of the legislature, various reception committees and business men. As the congressmen went aboard they were given rolls of serpentine paper and soon the air was filled with the kaleidoscopic colors of the streamers which temporarily connected them with their island friends on the dock.

The band played its most alluring Hawaiian melodies and when Aloha Oe was played there was a momentary hush, for the national lawmakers knew then that but a few minutes remained until they would be speeding away from the shores of Hawaii and back to the Golden Gate. Some of the congressmen fairly staggered beneath the shower of floral offerings and many looked like human gardens.

Not all the friends ashore were official, for many there were quite and some of the farewells were women and a Kansas senator after getting aboard, felt impelled once more to return to the dock and bid farewell again to a Hawaiian lady.

When the congressmen sailed away they left one member of their party ashore who will remain here about a week. This was Angus E. Ely, a member of the "Third House," secretary of Delegate Kahanamoku, who was his pilot, counselor and courier-general, for it was Ely who arranged their entire trip to and from the Islands.

Just before sailing the delegation adopted the following resolution and passed it to their island friends: Whereas, the members of the Congress of the United States now visiting the Hawaiian Islands are on the eve of their departure for the mainland and,

Whereas, the congressional delegation has been received with such marked thoughtfulness and hospitality as to create a sense of deep obligation,

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Aloha!

CONGRESSMEN WERE POSTCARD FIENDS

Approximately 1500 special postal cards, depicting attractive Hawaiian scenes, were sent by each member of the Congressional Party to friends and relatives back home, shortly after their arrival in Honolulu early this month, according to Fred Halton, secretary of the promotion committee.

In addition to this, the various congressmen left behind them the names of more than 8000 persons on the mainland who would probably visit the Islands if they knew of the many attractions, said Mr. Halton yesterday. To these have been sent parcels of advertising data, and should a definite shipping schedule be arranged at an early date, there is expected to be a large influx of tourists to Hawaii during the winter months.

SHARP ANSWERS ELSASS CRITICISM

Customs Appraiser Says Storage of Cargo Was Authorized By Federal Government

Whenever the Australian consignees of the former German steamship Elsass want their cargo, now stored in the Twile warehouse rented by the customs house officials, the latter, on payment of the accrued charges, will essay to dig it out and deliver it at the door, whence it will have to be carted to the dock at a cost to the consignee of fifty cents a ton, according to Raymond Sharp, general appraiser of the customs department.

Mr. Sharp said yesterday that when the Elsass arrived here from Samoa and was taken over by the United States Shipping Board, the cargo was removed from its holds and placed on pier 16 and guarded by the army. The navy department later turning the cargo over to the customs department. Considerable cable correspondence developed between Honolulu's customs representatives and the treasury department at Washington, resulting in Secretary McAdoo directing the customs house to take the cargo over under the usual requirements of the customs regulations, charging the usual amount on cargoes held for consignees, which happens to be fifty cents a ton.

Warehouse Rented

Having no place in which to store the cargo, authority was received by cable from Washington to rent a warehouse, which arrangement was perfected with E. P. Fogarty at a monthly rental of \$150. Out of the original 1730 tons there still remains 1900 tons on which fifty cents per ton charges are assessed each month, all going to the credit of the United States government, the latter paying out of another fund the \$150 warehouse rental cost.

Mr. Sharp states that when it came to storing the goods, the warehouse was too small, and therefore it was all placed in the house in the only manner possible under the circumstances, irrespective of consignees' marks. As the customs house will have to take the merchandise out as wanted, the customs house is the department hurt in this transaction, says Mr. Sharp, as this is to be done without cost to the consignee.

So far only \$259.50 in cash has been paid to the customs house for storage charges, amounts being paid only when goods are removed. However, as the merchandise has now been stored about three months, each ton represents a storage charge of \$1.50. To this will be added fifty cents a ton cartage charges, and then the ship's cost per ton from Honolulu to Australian ports.

Cargo More Valuable
Much of the cargo has gone up in value since the war began in 1914 particularly the structural steel and iron, straw board, etc.

As the matter stands, the government is making out of the cargo fifty cents per ton per month, or at present about \$600 per month. Furthermore, it is asserted that owing to war-refugee conditions and the poor facilities for freight handling at Pago Pago, the cargo could not easily be transferred there for reshipment to Australia, and that the sudden determination of the Federal Shipping Board to load the vessel with sugar and send it to the Coast caused the removal of the cargo and a consequent charge for storage to consignees thousands of miles away, for which they were not in any way responsible.

The question of whether or not the chamber of commerce should be a factor in grappling with the peculiar situation that has arisen out of the war, to aid consignees at distant points, and attempt to relieve fortune-costing charges, is still one which has its proponents and its opponents among the chamber's membership.

At the next meeting of the chamber of commerce the question will be considered in all its phases, and the pure letter of the law, as interpreted by the customs officials, will form a part of the discussion.

DECISION OF COURT HITS AUTO DRIVERS

Ruling Handed Down In Case of John Ferrage

A decision in favor of the Honolulu Rapid Transit and Land Company was handed down yesterday in the supreme court in the damage suit for \$10,000 filed against the company by John Ferrage. The court action grew out of a collision between an automobile driven by Ferrage and a street car at Port and Merchant Streets on the night of March 6. The automobile was demolished and Ferrage alleged that he suffered severe injuries.

After the evidence for the plaintiff had been heard in the circuit court before Judge C. W. Ashford, a motion was made by the defendant company to dismiss the case. This was sustained and Ferrage then appealed from the ruling to the supreme court which yesterday affirmed it.

In its decision the court ruled that in an automobile driver must anticipate the possibility of meeting pedestrians or other vehicles at street corners and have his machine under such control as may be necessary to avoid collisions. The mere blowing of a horn, the court holds, is not a sufficient precaution when circumstances demand that speed be slackened. The accident, the court found, was due in part to contributory negligence of Ferrage.

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